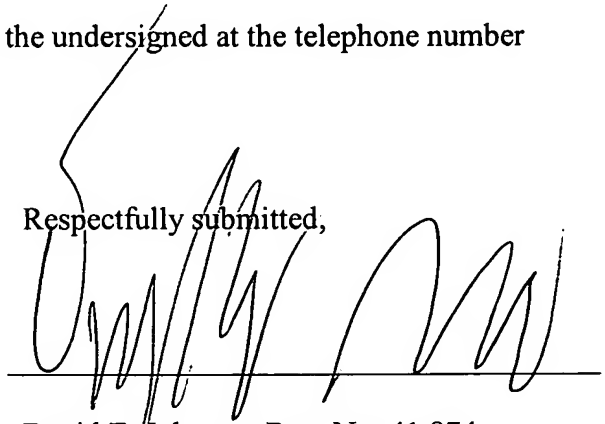


REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1, 6-7, 11-13, 30, 35, 36, 42-45, 59, 60, 63, and 68-71 will be pending in the application. Support for the new claims and amendments can be found, e.g., at page 11, lines 16 to 30 and at page 13, lines 5 to 25. No new matter has been added.

Please charge any payments or credit any overpayments of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 24492-007. Should any questions or issues arise concerning the application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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